

REMARKS

Claims 21-26 were rejected under Section 102 based on Shobatake.

However, claim 21 calls for assessing mobility management information for call origination and call termination. Nothing of the sort is anywhere done in Shobatake. None of the cited material have any relationship to using mobility management information for both call origination and call termination. None of the cited material is in any way pertinent.

Claim 21 also calls for using the mobility management information to assess a charge for a telephonic communication. The cited material at the bottom of column 7 has nothing to do with using mobility management information to assess a charge. The material cited at the top of column 7 does not even have anything to do with mobility management information.

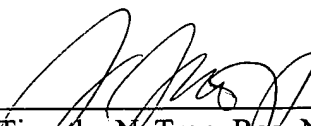
The cited material at column 6, line 53, has nothing to do with mobility management information. Whether a call is roaming or non-roaming has nothing to do with mobility management information. The assertions to the contrary are based on a misinterpretation of the Applicant's specification at page 5, lines 22-24. There, it is mentioned that mobility management state information may be used for charge estimation for all calls, including roaming and non-roaming calls. This does not mean that mobility management state information is just whether or not the call is roaming or not roaming, but rather it means that mobility management state information can be used for call estimation in cases where the call is a roaming call or in cases where the call is a non-roaming call. To attempt to redefine mobility management state information to be whether or not the call is a roaming call or a non-roaming call is unsupportable.

The material cited at column 8, lines 46-53, is equally inapposite, having nothing to do whatsoever with assessing charges for calls.

In short, the Shobatake reference has absolutely no bearing whatsoever on the patentability of the claimed invention. The rejection should be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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